GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:503
ANSWERED ON:25.04.2003
STORAGE OF FOODGRAINS
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the quantity of wheat, rice and sugar at present in the covered and uncovered godowns of FCI and CWC in each State/Union Territory and quantity declared surplus;

(b) the measures taken to utilise the surplus stock of the above items;

(c) whether certain quantity of foodgrains have become unfit for human consumption;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government propose to distribute the surplus foodgrains through Public Distribution System to reduce the wastage;

(f) if so, the details in this regard; and

(g) the steps taken by the Government to reduce the food subsidy bill in view of excess storage of foodgrain in godowns?

Answer

MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV)

(a) to (g): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (g) OF STARRED QUESTION NO.503 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 25-04-2003 IN THE LOK SABHA.

The total stocks of wheat and rice in the Central Pool, as on 1.3.2003, are reported to be 361.93 lakh tonnes (176.13 lakh tonnes of rice and 185.80 lakh tonnes of wheat). Of this, the quantity of wheat and rice, as on 1.3.2003, with the FCI (including in CWC godowns) in various States/UTs was 46.72 lakh tonnes and 152.61 lakh tonnes respectively. The details of foodgrains (wheat and rice), as on 1.3.2003, with the FCI (including in CWC godowns) in each State/UT are contained in the Statement at Annexure`A`. The quantity of sugar stored in various States/UTs, as on 1.3.2003, was 0.41 lakh tonnes, as per details in Annexure `B`. Sugar is stored only in covered godowns.

2. The surplus stock of foodgrains in the Central Pool, as on 1.1.2003, was 314 lakh tonnes, as against the buffer stocking norms of the corresponding period. The steps taken to utilize the surplus stock of foodgrains are mentioned at Annexure `C`. The stock of foodgrains in the Central Pool was 482.05 lakh tonnes, as on 1.1.2003, as compared to 581.12 lakh tonnes as on 1.1.2002.

3. As on 1st March, 2003, there was an estimated stock of 1.42 lakh tonnes of damaged foodgrains (not fit for human consumption) with the FCI. The scale of allocation under the Targetted Public Distribution System has been increased from 25 kg. per family per month to 35 kg. per family per month (with effect from 1.4.2002) so as to augment utilization of the surplus stocks.

ANNEXURE-A

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 503 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 25-04-2003 IN THE LOK SABHA.

STATEMENT SHOWINT THE STORAGE CAPACITY (OWNED & HIRED/COVERED AND CAP), STOCKS HELD AS ON DATE UTILISATION AVAILABLE WITH THE FOOD CORPORATION OF INDIA AS ON 28.02.2003.

(FIG. IN `000 TONNES)

S.Name of the State/ Union Territory	C O V E R E D (HIRED) (COVER-ED) OWNED	HIRED	TOTAL (4 TO7)	TOTAL (3+8)	CAP(OPEN) (9+12)	GRAND TOTAL
FCI	STATE	C.W.C.	S.W.C.	PRIVATE		

I.EAST ZONE

1.BIHAR
Capacity 365.74 8.43 48.00 28.86 60.09 145.38 511.12 28.09 - 28.09 539.21
Stocks 161.30 2.63 35.58 16.83 20.74 75.78 237.08 - - - 237.08
Uilisation 44% 31% 74% 58% 35% 52% 46% - - - 44%

2.JHARKHAND
Capacity 67.56 - 10.50 2.00 24.02 36.52 104.08 - - - 104.08
Stocks 23.76 1.71 0.48 6.00 8.19 31.95 31.95
Utilisation 35% 11% 24% 25% 22% 31% 31%

3.ORISSA
Capacity 278.22 - 24.80 123.95 15.00 163.75 441.97 - - - 441.97
Stocks 127.10 15.0 75.05 10.90 100.95 228.05 228.05
Utilisation 46% 60% 61% 73% 62% 52% 52%

4. WEST BENGAL
Capacity 864.02 47.22 16.61 0.56 108.24 172.63 1036.65 - - - 1036.65
Stocks 214.81 12.50 4.53 0.56 36.75 54.34 269.15 259.15
Utilisation 25% 26% 27% 100% 34% 31% 26% 26%

5.SIKKIM
Capacity 9.68 0.95 - - - 0.95 10.63 - - - 10.63
Stocks 4.30 0.07 0.07 4.37 4.37
Utilisation 44% 07% 07% 41% 41%

TOTAL OF EAST ZONE
Capacity 1585.22 56.60 99.91 155.37 207.35 519.23 2104.45 28.09 - 28.09 2132.54
Stocks 531.27 15.20 56.82 92.92 74.39 239.33 770.60 - - - 770.60
Utilisation 34% 27% 57% 60% 36% 46% 37% - - - 36%

II. N.E. ZONE

ASSAM REGION

6.ASSAM
Capacity 199.30 3.75 - 11.65 63.48 78.88 278.18 - - - 278.18
Stocks 40.52 0.98 5.13 18.33 24.44 64.96 64.96
Utilisation 20% 26% 44% 29% 31% 23% 23%

7. ARUNACHAL PRADESH
Capacity 17.50 - - - - - 17.50 - - - 17.50
Stocks 4.55 4.55 4.55
Utilisation 26% 26% 26%

TOTAL OF ASSAM REGION

Capacity 216.80 3.75 - 11.65 63.48 78.88 295.68 - - - 295.68
Stocks 45.07 0.98 5.13 18.33 24.44 69.51 69.51
Utilisation 21% 26% 44% 29% 31% 23% 23%

N.E. REGION(SHILLONG)

8. MEGHALAYA
Capacity 13.75 - - 5.20 - 5.20 18.95 - - - 18.95
Stocks 5.69 3.72 3.72 8.81 8.81
Utilisation 41% 60% 50% 46% 46%

9. MANIPUR
Capacity 17.75 1.00 - - - 1.00 18.75 - - - 18.75
Stocks 11.55 0.08 0.08 11.63 11.63
Utilisation 65% 08% 08% 62% 62%

10.MIZORAM
Capacity 17.59 1.00 - - - 1.00 18.59 - - - 18.59
Stocks 11.47 0.19 0.19 11.66 11.66
Utilisation 65% 19% 19% 63% 63%

11.NAGALAND
Capacity 17.22 - 10.13 - - 10.13 27.35 - - - 27.35
Stocks 4.00 2.25 2.25 6.25 6.25
Utilisation 28% 22% 22% 23% 23%

12. TRIPURA
Capacity 19.18 4.80 10.92 - 1.67 17.39 36.57 - - - 36.57
Stocks 9.27 3.77 10.76 1.20 15.73 25.00 25.00
Utilisation 48% 79% 99% 72% 90% 68% 68%

TOTAL OF N.E. REGION
Capacity 85.49 6.80 21.05 5.20 1.67 34.72 120.21 - - - 120.21
Stocks 41.98 4.04 13.01 3.72 1.20 21.97 63.95 63.95
Utilisation 49% 59% 62% 60% 72% 63% 53% 53%

III.NORTH ZONE

13.DELHI
Capacity 336.07 - 5.00 - - 5.00 341.07 33.65 - 33.65 374.72
Stocks 201.28 1.66 1.66 202.94 8.50 8.50 211.44
Utilisation 60% 33% 33% 60% 25% 25% 56%

14.HARYANA
Capacity 763.66 494.29 202.58 411.48 257.50 1365.85 2129.51 359.36 89.91 449.27 2578.78
Stocks 325.88 421.79 191.83 348.84 109.07 1071.53 1397.41 183.26 44.07 227.33 1624.74
Utilisation 43% 85% 95% 85% 42% 78% 66% 51% 49% 50% 63%

15.HIMACHAL PRADESH
Capacity 12.51 8.93 3.33 - - 12.26 24.77 - - - 24.77
Stocks 9.17 8.13 3.33 11.46 20.63 20.63
Utilisation 73% 91% 100% 93% 83% 83%

16.J & K
Capacity 83.34 18.30 - - 19.20 37.50 120.84 - - - 120.84
Stocks 68.96 13.77 10.38 24.15 93.11 93.31
Utilisation 83% 75% 54% 64% 77% 77%

PUNJAB REGION

17.PUNJAB
Capacity 2156.96 539.57 412.16 4336.55 1905.57 7193.85 9350.81 620.62 2452.39 3073.01 12423.82
Stocks 1849.82 470.77 409.86 3788.98 1735.61 6405.22 8255.04 107.88 902.12 1010.00 9265.04
Utilisation 86% 87% 99% 87% 91% 89% 88% 17% 37% 33% 75%

18.CHANDIGARH
Capacity 39.94 5.00 48.75 28.90 - 82.65 122.59 8.40 30.20 38.60 161.19
Stocks 45.60 4.36 50.95 19.07 74.38 119.98 1.66 6.98 8.64 128.62
Utilisation 114% 87% 104% 66% 90% 98% 20% 23% 22% 80%

TOTAL OF PUNJAB REGION
Capacity 2196.90 544.57 460.91 4365.45 1905.57 7276.50 9473.40 629.02 2482.59 3111.61 12585.01
Stocks 1895.42 475.13 460.81 3808.05 1735.61 6479.60 8375.02 109.54 909.10 1018.64 9393.66
Utilisation 86% 87% 100% 87% 91% 89% 88% 17% 37% 33% 75%

19.RAJASTHAN
Capacity 707.03 - 11.00 28.40 121.35 160.75 867.78 163.68 109.38 273.06 1140.84
Stocks 266.60 11.00 28.40 65.47 104.87 371.47 18.20 50.92 69.12 440.59
Utilisation 38% 100% 100% 54% 65% 43% 11% 47% 25% 39%

20.UTTAR PRADESH
Capacity 1464.71 - 357.85 861.77 72.11 1291.73 2756.44 436.40 61.13 497.53 3253.97
Stocks 838.28 327.00 804.00 32.95 1163.95 2002.23 18.67 38.55 57.22 2059.45
Utilisation 57% 91% 93% 46% 90% 73% 04% 63% 12% 63%

21.UTTARANCHAL
Capacity 68.50 15.30 33.30 27.46 7.16 83.22 151.72 8.82 12.43 21.25 172.97
Stocks 46.04 12.18 33.30 27.46 3.36 76.30 122.34 - 0.24 0.24 122.58
Utilisation 67% 80% 100% 100% 47% 92% 81% - 02% 01% 71%

TOTAL OF NORTH ZONE
Capacity 5632.72 1081.39 1073.97 5694.56 2382.89 10232.81 15865.53 1630.93 2755.44 4386.37 20251.90
Stocks 3651.63 931.00 1028.93 5016.75 1956.84 8933.52 12585.15 338.17 1042.88 1381.05 13966.20
Utilisation 65% 86% 96% 88% 82% 87% 79% 21% 38% 31% 69%

IV.
SOUTH ZONE
22.ANDHRA PR.
Capacity 1248.33 - 384.20 1192.40 55.00 1631.60 2879.93 197.40 120.10 317.50 3197.43
Stocks 799.30 357.80 678.80 48.00 1084.60 1883.90 45.90 13.90 59.80 1943.70
Utilisation 64% 93% 55% 87% 66% 65% 23% 11% 19% 61%

23.KERALA
Capacity 565.44 - 10.00 - 6.35 16.35 581.79 20.87 - 20.87 602.66
Stocks 327.89 9.17 6.13 15.30 343.19 - - - 343.19
Utilisation 69% 92% 94% 94% 59% - - - 57%

24.KARNATAKA
Capacity 335.68 - 125.00 80.91 - 205.91 541.59 162.54 7.74 170.28 711.87
Stocks 184.53 83.57 43.83 127.40 311.93 12.88 7.74 20.62 332.55
Utilisation 55% 67% 54% 62% 58% 08% 100% 12% 47%

TAMIL NADU REGION
25.TAMIL NADU
Capacity 589.98 - 116.50 37.96 - 154.46 744.44 60.52 35.00 95.52 839.96
Stocks 454.49 64.31 26.86 91.17 545.66 2.92 0.14 3.06 548.72
Utilisation 77% 55% 71% 59% 73% 05% 01% 03% 65%

26.PONDICHERRY
Capacity 41.20 - - - - - 41.20 4.76 - 4.76 45.96
Stocks 19.26 19.26 0.04 0.04 19.30
Utilisation 47% 47% 01% 01% 42%

TOTAL OF TAMIL NADU REGION
Capacity 631.18 - 116.50 37.96 - 154.46 785.64 65.28 35.00 100.28 885.92

Stocks 473.75 64.31 26.86 91.17 564.92 2.96 0.14 3.10 568.02
Utilisation 75% 55% 71% 59% 72% 05% 01% 03% 64%

TOTAL OF SOUTH ZONE
Capacity 2780.63 - 635.70 1311.27 61.35 2008.32 4788.95 446.09 162.84 608.93 5397.88

Stocks 1785.47 514.85 749.49 54.13 1318.47 3103.94 61.74 21.78 83.52 3187.46
Utilisation 64% 81% 57% 88% 66% 65% 14% 13% 14% 59%

V.WEST ZONE

27.GUJARAT
Capacity 489.79 23.90 103.08 - 234.76 361.74 851.53 51.74 112.03 163.77 1015.30
Stocks 242.38 12.56 55.54 130.67 198.77 443.15 9.60 66.78 76.38 519.53
Utilisation 50% 53% 54% 56% 55% 52% 19% 60% 47% 51%

MAHARASHTRA REGION

28. MAHARASHTRA
Capacity 1177.11 75.29 106.50 142.37 55.00 379.16 1556.27 141.53 105.64 247.17 1803.44
Stocks 502.24 25.27 88.46 63.17 13.98 190.88 693.12 1.59 42.36 43.95 737.07
Utilisation 43% 34% 83% 44% 25% 50% 45% 01% 40% 18% 41%

29. GOA
Capacity 15.00 - - - - - 15.00 - - - 15.00
Stocks 6.61 6.61 6.61
Utilisation 44% 44% 44%

TOTAL OF MAHARASHTRA REGION
Capacity 1192.11 75.29 106.50 142.37 55.00 379.16 1571.27 141.53 105.64 247.17 1818.44
Stocks 508.85 25.27 88.46 63.17 13.98 190.88 699.73 1.59 42.36 43.95 743.68
Utilisation 43% 34% 83% 44% 25% 50% 45% 01% 40% 18% 41%

30. MADHYA PRADESH
Capacity 337.42 53.08 107.17 48.76 92.00 301.01 638.43 38.59 40.00 78.59 717.02
Stocks 163.96 25.48 74.49 40.43 44.69 185.09 349.05 4.04 10.76 14.80 363.85
Utilisation 49% 48% 69% 83% 48% 61% 55% 10% 27% 19% 51%

31. CHHATTISGARH
Capacity 498.27 4.02 17.62 61.75 22.50 105.89 604.16 9.25 23.76 33.01 637.17
Stocks 149.72 3.53 17.62 53.69 11.14 85.98 235.70 5.57 2.97 8.54 244.24
Utilisation 30% 88% 100% 87% 50% 81% 39% 60% 12% 26% 38%

TOTAL OF WEST ZONE
Capacity 2517.59 156.29 334.37 252.88 404.26 1147.80 3665.39 241.11 281.43 522.54 4187.93
Stocks 1066.91 66.84 236.11 157.29 200.48 660.72 1727.63 20.80 122.87 143.67 1871.30
Utilisation 42% 43% 71% 62% 50% 58% 47% 09% 44% 27% 45%

GRAND TOTAL (ALL INDIA)
Capacity 12818.45 1304.83 2165.00 7430.93 3121.00 14021.76 26840.21 2346.22 3199.71 5545.93 32386.14
Stocks 7122.33 1018.06 1849.72 6025.30 2305.37 11198.45 18320.78 420.71 1187.53 1608.24 19929.02
Utilisation 56% 78% 85% 81% 74% 80% 68% 18% 37% 29% 62%

Note : Figures of stocks based on Regional Office`s datas.

ANNEXURE-B

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 503 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 25-04-2003 IN THE LOK SABHA.

STATE-WISE STOCK POSITION OF SUGAR WITH FOOD CORPORATION OF INDIA AS ON 28.02.2003.

(PROVISIONAL) (FIGURES IN LAKH M.T.)

STATE/UTs	SUGAR
WEST BENGAL	0.01
ASSAM	0.21
TRIPURA	0.03
MANIPUR	0.01
NAGALAND	0.04
MIZORAM	0.02
MEGHALAYA	0.02
JAMMU AND KASHMIR	0.05
ANDHRA PRADESH	0.02
GRAND TOTAL	0.41

ANNEXURE-C

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (g) OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 503 DUE FOR ANSWER ON 25-04-2003 IN THE LOK SABHA.

Measures taken to increase offtake of foodgrains.

6.1 In addition to encouraging decentralized procurement and non-revision of Central Issue Prices (CIP) of wheat and rice, various measures have been taken by the Government to increase the offtake of foodgrains from Central Pool with a view to reduce the level surplus stock and carrying cost and avoid damage and deterioration in quality. In specific terms, the following measures have been taken:-

(i) The scale of issue for Above Poverty Line (APL), Below Poverty Line (BPL) and Antyodaya households under Targetted Public Distribution System (TPDS) has been increased from @ 25 kg per household per month to @ 35 kg per houswehold per month;

(ii) Additional allocation are made for Welfare Institutions and Hostels at BPL CIPs @ 5% of the BPL allocation with effect from 1.4.2002;

(iii) Open market sales are allowed without quantitative restrictions at prices to be determined by the existing High Level Committee of the Food Corporation of India (FCI);

(iv) Rice, wheat and wheat products are allowed for export without quantitative restrictions, subject to the condition that the stocks in the Central Pool will not be lower than the buffer stock of 243 lakh MTs. (100 lakh MTs of rice and 143 lakh MTs of wheat) at any point of time; WTO compatible subsidies to continue based on the recommendations of the High Level Committee of the FCI, as per the existing practice; and

(v) Entering into counter trade and/or extend commodity assistance in the form of foodgrains to other countries on terms to be decided on a case-to-case basis.